

MAURICE GRAU'S SONGBIRDS ARRIVE ON LA CHAMPAGNE.

Mme. Calve Here to Sing on This Side the First Time in Two Years—Mlle. Bauermeister and Salgnac, Perille and Nepoti Among the Number.

Like all the Atlantic liners which have arrived in the past few days, the French line steamship La Champagne, which reached her dock this morning, experienced much rough weather during the trip.

She brought over 257 cabin and 600 steerage passengers, and they all expressed relief that what had been a most trying voyage was ended.

La Champagne had in the cabin a number of the Grau opera company, who arrived in time for the opening Oct. 7 at Albany, and for the Canadian tour, four.

Among those on board were Mme. Calve, Mlle. Bauermeister, Mlle. Claret, Mlle. Doolery, M. Dufiche, M. Gilbert, Mlle. Gilbert, M. de Maroni, M. Nepoti, M. Perille, M. Salgnac, M. Sten and A. Seppilli.

Mme. Calve will appear here for the first time in two years. She will sing for the first time in "Carmen" at Mont-real. She will also sing in "Messaïne" and "Valse" in "Les Huguenots" for the first time. She will also revive "La Navarraise" by Massenet.

"I really do not feel equal to an interview at this time," said Mme. Calve. "We have had a very rough trip and I am naturally glad to get ashore. Last year, you know, I sang at Covent Garden."

"Last winter I went off for a rest and had a most enjoyable stay of four months in Egypt. And now after these adventures—if they might be called such—I am back here to sing and glad to be here again."

During most of the trip La Champagne was ploughing her way through high head seas, lashed to a fury by southwest gales. The waves broke over her bow as she pushed onward, but it was said at her dock that the vessel had sustained no damage and no one had been injured.

The passengers had anything but a pleasant time and most of the way across a majority of them were ill. The vessel was not able to make her dock yesterday as she had to slow down on account of fog.

La Champagne brought 5,524,972 francs in specie. Marchi, the Italian tenor is a new addition to Mr. Grau's company.



He has just finished a successful season in London, and Mr. Grau heard him and at once set about securing him for his company. This is not de Marchi's first appearance in this country. He came over with an unsuccessful company some years ago. He sang but once, however.

"Les Huguenots" will be the opera in which M. de Marchi will make his debut. The plans may be changed, however, and he may appear for the first time in "Tosca." His first appearance in tour will be about Oct. 15, in "Aida." He will appear during the season in the principal Italian roles.

M. de Clerly, whose name appears on the passenger list as M. Declery, is another new addition to the Grau company. He is a French baritone, who for the past three years was the first baritone of the Theatre de la Monnaie, in Brussels. He has also sung with the French Opera Company at Paris, and during the past season he has been with the Covent Garden Company. M. de Clerly will first appear with Madame Calve in "Carmen." He will take the role of Escamillo.

M. Perille, the basso, has been singing in South America. M. Gilbert has been singing with the Covent Garden Company. M. Salgnac, the tenor, has been singing in the south of France. M. Sten and A. Seppilli, with Walter Dumrosch, will be the conductors.

SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD BOY EARNS FAME AS ARTIST.

Young Bernard Karfiol Will Take Three Years' Course in Paris's Greatest School.



Master Bernard Karfiol, of Greenpoint, is making a name for himself as an artist. He is only sixteen years old, and yet has won several prizes for excellence in painting and drawing at the National Academy in New York, where he studied for two years.

Young Bernard is equally proficient as a painter of portraits, landscapes and marines. Last summer he made a specialty of a series of paintings of Central Park views, which were considered by

critics as displaying remarkable talent. Early success has not turned the head of the little fellow, and he is determined to gain the highest place in his art. With that end in view he sails next Thursday on La Champagne for Paris, where he will enter for a three years' course at the Academie des Beaux Arts, the national school of France.

He is a graduate of the Norman Avenue (Brooklyn) School. His father is in the lace-paper manufacturing business and is pardonably proud of his son.

tributes which had been paid in Great Britain were especially gratifying to Americans.

MINISTERS HONOR M'KINLEY.
Memorial Exercises at the Baptist Conference This Morning.

The regular meeting of the Baptist ministers' conference to-day at the Twenty-third street branch of the Young Men's Christian Association was devoted to memorial exercises for President McKinley. Rev. T. J. Whitaker, of Brooklyn, presided, with Rev. G. M. Schott, of Scotch Plains, N. J., as secretary. Rev. Dr. J. L. Campbell, of Manhattan, was elected president for the ensuing six months, and Rev. A. A. De Larmie, of Paterson, was elected vice-president. Mr. Schott, the secretary, held the office.

The memorial address was delivered by Rev. Dr. Robert S. MacArthur, of the First Baptist Church, who spoke of the services which had been rendered by the president in memory of the dead President and added that the

TRIED TO END LIFE.
After Quarrel with Lover Elsie Benson Swallowed Acid.

After a quarrel to-day with the man to whom she was engaged to be married, Elsie Benson, twenty-four years old, of 205 Fulton street, Brooklyn, tried to end her life with carbolic acid.

Miss Benson called on Chris Nagle, one of the proprietors of a saloon at No. 116 Hamilton avenue, South Brooklyn. The two were heard exchanging angry words, Nagle stepped out of the room a moment, and when he returned he found the woman on the floor screaming with pain and an empty bottle by her side. An ambulance surgeon pumped the poison out of the stomach and said she would probably live.

THIEF WAS STARVING.

George Murphy Weak from Hunger When Taken to Station.

A near-eyed, red-bowlsided individual, to whom the scenes of a court-room seemed unfamiliar, was arraigned before Magistrate Deuel in the Centre Street Court this morning on the charge of burglary.

Policeman Lewis, of the Leonard street station, saw the man attempt to pry open the door of No. 7 Thomas street and No. 91 Worth street Sunday afternoon. The man was so weak that he could hardly use the chisel which he carried.

By persevering, however, the man broke open the door of No. 91 Worth street and entered. Policeman Lewis saw him rifling the cash drawer of the store and arrested him.

The man gave his name as George Murphy.

"What is your business?" asked Sergt. McNaught.

"I am a plumber," replied Murphy. "but I haven't worked at my trade for seven years. For God's sake give me something to eat. I'm starving."

Murphy sank into a chair. He was totally exhausted.

"All I wanted was to get a bite," Murphy told McNaught in explanation of why he attempted to get into No. 91 Worth street, which is a restaurant. Sergt. McNaught sent a policeman and got a meal for Murphy. The latter ate it ravenously.

In the Centre Street Court this morning Murphy had nothing to say to the Magistrate. It was all a matter of form. A charge of burglary was made. Murphy was arraigned, a plea of not guilty entered and the prisoner remanded to the Tombs in default of \$100 bail for examination to-morrow.

"It is simply a case in a million," Murphy told an Evening World reporter. "I had either to steal or starve, and as I had been starving for several weeks I decided to steal. That's all there is to it."

Pressed for further information concerning himself, Murphy said he had a wife and three small children depending upon him for support.

"Murphy is not my right name," the prisoner said, "but it will do. Where are my wife and children? Oh, they are out of town. I won't tell you."

"It's tough enough," Murphy went on, "to have to sleep in the park and go without anything to eat, and all the time thinking about your children, wondering if they, too, are starving. It's a bit more than I can stand. I suppose the little ones will get along. I suppose they'll be better off. That's all I better not talk about."

The policeman led Murphy away from the Court. He will get three meals a day, such as they are.

MAMIE GILROY'S GEMS FISHED FROM RIVER.

She Dropped Them Overboard, and It Took Diver Elliott an Hour and a Half to Find Bag Containing Them.



Whose Diamonds and Money Were Fished from East River by Diver Elliott.

When the helpers on a Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company's tug pulled Diver Charlie Elliott out of the river in the terry slip at Long Island City to-day he threw a small leathern bag, such as women carry attached to their waists, on the deck.

It had taken Diver Elliott an hour and a half to find the bag, and had cost \$15, but the contents of the bag were well worth the trouble. When a representative of the Company opened it he found a pocketbook with a large sum of money and a check; a diamond sunburst worth \$1,000, several watches and rings, all valued at several thousand dollars—and all as well as East River water could make them.

This afternoon a handsome young woman tripped into the office of the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company and introduced herself as Miss Mamie Gilroy. She was given the bag with its valuable contents and departed, happy to get her precious trinkets back, wet or dry.

Miss Gilroy was on her way to Flushing late Saturday evening. As the ferryboat from East Thirty-fourth street entered the slip at Long Island City she stood by the iron gate, which works with a lever and rises in the air as it opens to permit passengers to land.

"Hands off the gates!" cried the deck-hand.

Up went the gates, and as they did so one caught Miss Gilroy's bag, tore it from the fastening at her waist and tossed it into the slip.

There were wallings and tears—real tears—but friends suggested a diver as more practical, and after lying at the bottom of the river for thirty-six hours Miss Gilroy recovered her jewels and money safe and sound, but damp.

Will Miss Gilroy sue the company? Not much. Didn't she get this story out of it?

Naval Prisoner Dies of Wound.
Charles P. Miner, the naval prisoner who was shot by Edward P. Hooley, sergeant of a marine guard, as he attempted to escape on the Old Dominion line pier on Saturday night, died last night in the Hudson Street Hospital.

PLUCKY YOUNG GIRL SWAM ACROSS NARROWS.



Julia Tinpany, 13, Performed a Remarkable Feat.

During the season many swimmers have swum across the Narrows of New York Bay, but yesterday a thirteen-year-old girl made past performers feel that they had done nothing. The youngster was Julia Tinpany, of the Shore Road and Seventy-first street, Brooklyn.

The girl was accompanied by her eleven-year-old sister, Minnie, Albert Krause, of No. 553 East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, and Harry Stonehouse, a member of the Bay Ridge Life Saving Corps. Several crews of life savers followed the swimmers.

When midstream was reached Miss Minnie Tinpany showed signs of fatigue and was taken aboard.

Under the shadow of Fort Wadsworth Stonehouse was caught in a strong eddy and it was only with great difficulty that he was rescued.

Krause finished the swim, too, but he was carried a considerable distance below the fort by the current. The swimmers were taken to South Beach, where a luncheon was served.

GOT WOMAN JAIL BREAKER

Irene Clements, Who Escaped from Raymond Street Prisoner on the Island.

IS "MAGGIE MADDEN."

Arrested for Drunkenness on the Same Day that She Flew with Nellie Williams.

Sheriff Walton, of Kings County, appeared at the Harlem Court to-day and requested Magistrate Crane to discharge Maggie Madden, now a prisoner on Blackwell's Island, and have her turned over to the Kings County authorities. He explained that she is really Irene Clements, who, with Nellie Williams, escaped from Raymond Street Jail, Brooklyn, on Sept. 25 last by removing a lock from their cell door and scaling a twenty-foot wall. The request was granted.

Maggie Madden is said to be an habitual drunkard. She was arrested on Wednesday night last, the day of her escape. Her plea to Magistrate Crane on Thursday morning was so eloquent that he discharged her, but when she was brought before him again the next day on the same charge he sentenced her to thirty days on the Island.

Sheriff Walton has not yet located Nellie Williams.

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